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Hon. Earl Warren, Chairman  
President's Commission on the  
Assassination of President Kennedy  
200 Maryland Avenue, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002

Dear Justice Warren:

This letter, following the telegram sent to your office yesterday, serves as the formal notice of appearance in regard to the investigation and hearings being conducted by the Commission. I have been retained by Mrs. Marguerite C. Oswald of Fort Worth Texas, the mother of the accused assassin, to represent the interests of the deceased Lee Harvey Oswald before your Commission. I enclose herewith an affidavit, signed by Mrs. Marguerite C. Oswald, and duly notarized on the 11th day of January, 1964, within the State of Texas, City of Fort Worth and County of Tarrant. The affidavit states that the deponent is the mother of Lee Harvey Oswald and that on the 11th day of January, 1964, she retained me, on his behalf, for the purposes above stated.

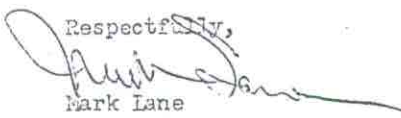
I enclose also an affidavit signed by Mrs. Marguerite C. Oswald on the 11th day of January, 1964, stating that Marina Oswald told her that the alleged murder weapon displayed to her by the Dallas Police on the 22nd day of November, 1963, was, in fact, not the rifle owned by the deceased Lee Harvey Oswald.

In view of the above I request permission at this time to visit with Mrs. Marina Oswald to determine the nature of her confinement and to discover if unfair and inappropriate methods have been utilized to tamper with or influence her testimony. The very secret nature of her confinement must, of course, raise serious doubts.

I also request permission to examine the reports thus far submitted to you which make reference to my deceased client and for the right to present witnesses at the hearings that you contemplate holding. Along these lines I request that you inform me of the proposed dates for the hearings.

I would appreciate it if communication from your office were directed to me at 164 West 79th Street, New York, New York.

Respectfully,

  
Mark Lane

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JUSTICE EARL WARREN, PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION ON  
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY  
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Washington, D. C.

I have been retained by Mrs. Marguerite C. Oswald to represent  
her deceased son in the investigation and hearings being conducted  
before your Commission. A more formal notice of appearance and  
affidavit will follow.

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